



PARISH OF MULLINGAR
Cathedral of Christ the King, St Paul's,
Brotenstown, Gainstown & Walshestown
www.mullingarparish.ie

Priests of the Parish

Fr. Padraig McMahon, Adm.
 Fr. Joseph Naikarakudy
 Fr Robert McGivney
 Fr. Paul Crosbie
 Fr Luke Ohiemi

Vigil Mass (Saturday)

Cathedral: 6pm

Sunday Mass Times

Cathedral: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm
 St. Paul's: 10.30am, 12noon
 Walshestown: 9am
 Brotenstown: 10am
 Gainstown: 11am

Daily Mass Times

10am Cathedral
 Mass in St Paul's resumes 4th
 January.

Eucharistic Adoration 8am-8pm

Bereavement Support
 087-6309808

Collection last weekend

Cathedral: €3,899
 St Paul's: €1,407
 Walshestown: €360
 Brotenstown: €185
 Gainstown: €200
 Parish Envelopes €1,424

Thank
 You!

*Thank you for your generous
 contribution to the offertory
 collection on Christmas Day.*



We wish all our
 parishioners at
 home and abroad,
 a Happy and
 Peaceful New Year.

Thank You! We wish to express our gratitude to the Sacristans, Choirs, Readers, Ministers of Holy Communion, Stewards, cleaners, florist and children who helped to enhance the Christmas liturgies and to all who assisted in any way. Thanks also to teachers and staff of our schools and parents for helping our children to know the Christmas story through the nativity plays and carols.


Mass Schedule this week....
Monday - Thursday: 10am Mass in the Cathedral
Friday 1st January 10 am Mass for Peace
*Regular Parish Mass Schedule resumes Monday
 4th January*

Feast of the Holy Family...

"The family is an inexhaustible resource and font of life in the Church's pastoral activity," says the document issued by the Synod of Bishops on the family. Therefore, the primary task of the Church is to proclaim the beauty of the vocation to love. God has planted each one of us in a family because love is an essential element in the process of growing up. Life is very fragile especially in infancy and so the loving care of a mother is essential for a child to grow up. While moving from adolescence to maturity one needs to feel the protective presence of the father in order to be fearless and self-confident later in life. The Holy Family of Jesus was a perfect blend of all these qualities, so much so that the child Jesus increased in wisdom and favour before God and man.



And the Synod continues, "Since the family is the natural place for personal development, it is the foundation of society and the State. From the very first years of a person's existence, the family is the place for the transmission and learning of values, such as brotherhood, loyalty, love for the truth and work, and respect and solidarity between generations, not to mention the art of communication and a sense of joy in living. The family is the privileged place to live out and promote the dignity and rights of man and woman. The family, founded on marriage, is the place for the integral formation of a country's future citizens."



Parish Office will reopen on Monday 4th January. Mass bookings, weddings and baptism enquiries can be made after that date.

Here to Help.... We know Christmas and new year can be a difficult time for people. We want to let parishioners know that we are available to guide and support you in any way we can and at any hour of the day or night. We pray all the time with and for people who carry heavy burdens. We encourage you to reach out for help. Don't be afraid to ask. We are not social workers but we can refer you to people better qualified than ourselves if need be. If you want to speak to someone anonymously, the number for the Samaritans is 116123.

We welcome these children who were recently baptised: Adam Ronan, Beechdrive; Sahara Nevin, Woodlands; James Nevin Grange Cresent; Donnacha O'Shea, BAPTISM Canada.

Baptisms take place in the Cathedral every Sunday at 3pm except the fourth Sunday of every month which takes place in the St Paul's. For further details see www.mullingarparish.ie or 9348338.

Mass Intentions this week
 No 9.15am Mass in St Paul's this week
 Mass in the Cathedral at 10am.
 Saturday Vigil 6pm: Eva Brennan, Lynn Road (1st Ann)
 Sunday 3rd January
 11am: Helen Kelly, Chestnut Drive (1st Ann)
Walshestown: 9am: Seamus Sullivan, The Strand, Walshestown (M.M.)
Brotenstown: 10am: Mary Bawle, Hopetown (1st Ann)
Gainstown: 11am: Patrick & Margaret Morton.

Check our some photos from Christmas at the Cathedral at www.mullingarparish.ie.



Pilgrimages for the Year of Mercy
 Pilgrimage to **Lourdes** on 24 - 29 April 2016 with Fr Padraig McMahon. Booking forms and further information are available now from Fr Padraig at the parish office.
 Pilgrimage to the **Holy Land** on 9 - 16 August 2016 with Fr Padraig McMahon. A meeting for all interested or anyone intending to travel will be held on Tuesday 12th January in Bethany at 7.30pm. Booking forms and further information will be available on the night.
 Jubilee Pilgrimage to **Rome** on 19 - 27 August 2016 with Bishop Michael Smith.
 Pilgrimage to **Lourdes** on 12 - 17 September 2016 with Bishop Michael Smith

RIP
Patrick Horan, Beechgrove
Michael Flanagan, Great Oaks